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ABSTRACT

This document is a guide to the use of Quick Search, a library service that provides access to more than 100 databases which contain references to journal articles and other research materials through two commercial systems--BRS After/Dark and DIALOG's Knowledge Index. The guide is divided into five sections: (1) Using Quick Search; (2) The Databases (choosing an appropriate database); (3) The Basics (search steps and commands); (4) Terms and Connectors (choosing subject search terms; fine tuning your search terms; choosing connectors to link concepts; writing out your search strategy; and using non-subject search terms); and (5) The Search (doing the search and printing results). Four appendixes are provided: Sample Searches; Databases; Command Summaries; and Sources for Further Reading. Quick Search strategy worksheets are included for use while reading the manual. (CGD)

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WHAT IS QUICK SEARCH?

Quick Search is a library service that gives you online access to more than 100 databases. Most databases contain references to journal articles and other research materials in a subject area. Using a few simple commands, you can specify search terms that describe a topic and retrieve references that contain the search terms.

There are two commercial systems available through Quick Search: BRS/After Dark and Knowledge Index. The two systems offer different selections of databases and use different commands, but the intellectual process of planning a search strategy will be the same for either system.

HOW TO USE THIS GUIDE

The key to successful database searching is thinking through and writing out a search strategy before sitting down at the computer. Use one of the worksheets found in the back of this manual to write out your search strategy as you read this guide.

This guide will help you:

1. Choose an appropriate database to search.
2. Understand Knowledge Index and BRS/After Dark system commands.
3. Choose appropriate search terms to describe your topic.

Some topics are not appropriate for Quick Search. The staff at the Reference/Information Desk, 1st Floor Red Wing, can save you time and money by discussing your topic with you before you begin. There will also be a Student Monitor at the Quick Search computers who can help you with the mechanics of using the computer and the system commands.

CHOOSING AN APPROPRIATE DATABASE

Look at the database descriptions in Appendix B and choose one or more databases that seem appropriate for your topic.

NOTE: The Library has some databases available on CD-ROM. (There will be a note in the database description if a CD-ROM version is available.) It is much cheaper to use CD-ROM than to search the same database online through Quick Search.

Notice that some databases are available both through BRS After/Dark and through Knowledge Index. You may choose either system.

Not all questions can be answered using an online database. Consult the staff at the Reference/Information Desk if you are not sure whether there is a database appropriate for your topic.

ADDITIONAL DATABASE INFORMATION

Detailed information sheets about each database are available at the Reference/Information Desk. The information sheets will sample records from the database and list all of the searchable fields in the records.

BASIC SEARCH STEPS

There are four basic steps you will follow in doing a database search:

1. Tell the system which database you want to search.
2. Tell the system which search terms to look for in the database. The system will respond by telling you how many references it finds that contain the search terms. If there are too many or too few references, you can try a different combination of search terms.
3. When you have identified a relevant set of references, tell the system to print the references.
4. Disconnect from the system.

BASIC COMMAND SUMMARY

The following chart is an abbreviated list of commands. See Appendix C for a complete summary of system commands. See Appendix A for examples of how these commands are used in a search. The staff at the Reference/Information Desk and the Quick Search Monitor can assist you with system commands.

BRS/AFTER DARK COMMAND	KNOWLEDGE INDEX COMMAND	COMMAND FUNCTION
C or CHANGE	B or BEGIN	Choose which database to search. You will specify a database label.
S or SEARCH	F or FIND	Tell the system which search terms to look for. The system will respond by telling you how many references it finds containing the search terms.
PC or PRINT	T or TYPE	Display the references that the system has found.
O or OFF	LOGOFF	Disconnect from the system.

CHOOSING SUBJECT SEARCH TERMS

Planning a search strategy is essential to successful database searching. Blank worksheets are provided in the back of this guide for you to plan your own search strategy. This section will help you with one of the most important parts of database searching--selecting appropriate search terms.

STATING YOUR TOPIC

Write down what you want to know. Examples:

Do salary increases affect employee productivity?
Coffee consumption and cancer.
Superconductor research on magnetic levitation in vehicles.

IDENTIFYING THE CONCEPTS IN YOUR TOPIC

Look at your statement or question and identify the major concepts.

Do salary increases affect employee productivity?
Coffee consumption and cancer.
Superconductor research on magnetic levitation in vehicles.

If you find that you have four or more concepts, discuss your topic with the staff at the Reference/Information Desk.

CHOOSING SEARCH TERMS FOR EACH CONCEPT

Some databases have a thesaurus available to help you choose search terms. A thesaurus can be a very helpful tool in choosing synonyms. The location of the thesaurus will be noted in the database description in Appendix B.

List synonyms or other acceptable words for each concept. Some concepts will have many alternative words or phrases; others can be described using only one term. List the singular and plural forms of words separately. Examples:

CONCEPT 1

superconductors
superconductor
superconducting
superconductivity

CONCEPT 2

magnetic levitation
maglev

CONCEPT 3

vehicles
vehicle
transportation

FINE TUNING YOUR SEARCH TERMS

TRUNCATION

Are there several terms that begin with the same stem? For example, superconductors, superconductor, superconducting, and superconductivity all begin with the stem superconduct. You may specify that you want any word beginning with that stem by truncating. In BRS/After Dark, truncation is indicated by typing a "\$" at the end of the stem; in Knowledge Index a "?" is used.

In BRS/After Dark, type: superconduct\$
 vehicle\$

In Knowledge Index, type: superconduct?
 vehicle?

LIMITING TERMS TO A SPECIFIC FIELD

Is there a fairly common term in your list that may result in too many references? Unless you tell it otherwise, the computer will look for the search terms in the title field, the abstract field, the subject descriptor field, and perhaps other parts of references.

You may specify that the term must appear in the title or the descriptor (or some other specific portion of the citation). This is known as field qualification.

Field qualification is done by attaching a two-letter code to the end of the term. The codes are logical (ti for title, de for descriptor, ab for abstract, etc.) and are listed on the database information sheets, available at the Reference/Information Desk.

For example, you can limit the search term vehicle to only the title and descriptor fields. The abstract field will not be searched.

In BRS/After Dark, type : vehicle\$.ti,de.

In Knowledge Index, type: vehicle?/ti,de

WORD PROXIMITY

Are there terms that consist of two words that need to be near each other, but not necessarily side by side or in a specific order? For example, consumption of coffee works just as well as coffee consumption. Share of the market would be just as helpful as market share.

TERMS AND CONNECTORS

BRS/After Dark lets you specify that two words must be in the same sentence, in any order, by typing the word with between the two words. For example, coffee with consumption or market with share.

Knowledge Index does not allow you to specify word proximity. If you have a phrase that may be expressed several ways, connect the key words with the AND connector as described in the next section. For example, coffee and consumption or market and share.

CHOOSING CONNECTORS TO LINK CONCEPTS

Use the connector OR to link synonyms and similar terms. For example:

vehicle or transportation

caffeine or coffee

Use the connector AND to link different concepts. For example:

coffee and cancer

(vehicle or transportation) and magnetic levitation

Notice that the terms being connected with OR are surrounded by parentheses if there are other connectors in the same line.

The connector NOT is also available. You will use it primarily when doing more than one search at a time to tell the computer not to repeat what you have already seen.

WRITING OUT YOUR SEARCH STRATEGY

Using the worksheet found in the back of this manual, write down a final plan of action--your search strategy.

The sample searches in Appendix A include a completed worksheet to illustrate how the strategy was constructed.

USING NON-SUBJECT SEARCH TERMS: AUTHORS, LANGUAGE, YEARS, SOURCE, ETC.

Some of the sample searches in Appendix A illustrate techniques for searching non-subject aspects such as authors, language, publication years, and journal names. The database information sheets available at the Reference/Information Desk will give more detail about the searching possibilities for each database.

DOING THE SEARCH

Actually doing the database search is the easiest part if you have prepared a strategy ahead of time. The sample searches on the following pages illustrate typical search techniques on both the BRS/After Dark and Knowledge Index systems.

SET NUMBERS

Notice in the sample searches that results of search questions are assigned set numbers. Those set numbers can be used as search terms in subsequent search questions--it is not necessary to retype the words.

PRINTING YOUR SEARCH RESULTS

Notice how the print commands are used in the sample searches. You must specify a set number, a print format, and a range of references to be printed from the set. For each database, the print format definitions will be on the database information pages available at the Reference/Information Desk.

The print format names have different meanings in BRS/After Dark and in Knowledge Index. The following chart summarizes the typical formats in each system.

BRS FORMAT	KI FORMAT	TYPICAL FIELDS INCLUDED
TITLE	SHORT	Titles only. This format does not give enough information to identify the reference. Good for previewing the references to check for relevancy.
SHORT	MEDIUM	Author, title and source. This format gives enough information to identify the references. It prints out quickly.
MEDIUM	(none)	Author, title, source, and descriptors. This format gives enough information to identify references and may suggest alternate terms to search.
LONG	LONG	Complete information, including author, title, source, abstract and descriptors. This format takes longest to print out.

SAMPLE SEARCH STRATEGY



STRATEGY WORKSHEET

SEARCH TOPIC Superconductor research on magnetic levitation in vehiclesRELEVANT DATABASES ENGL1 (Knowledge Index)

MAJOR CONCEPTS

	concept 1	concept 2	concept 3
S	Superconductors	magnetic levitation	vehicle
E	Superconductor	maglev	vehicles
A	Superconducting		transportation
R	Superconductivity		
C			
H			

TERMS

SEARCH SETS

- 1 find superconduct?
- 2 find maglev or magnetic levitation
- 3 find vehicle? or transportation
- 4 find S1 and S2 and S3
- 5

SAMPLE SUBJECT SEARCH ON KNOWLEDGE INDEX

The commands you would enter are highlighted.

1. The "?" prompt tells you that the computer is ready for instructions.
 2. Tell computer to "begin" in the database you wish to search.
 3. Database response.
 4. Use the "Find" command to enter term(s) for your first concept. The truncation symbol "?" is used to allow for variant forms of the word "superconductors."
 5. Enter term(s) for second concept.
 6. Enter term(s) for third concept.
 7. Combine results of the three search statements by using the answer set numbers.
 8. Tell the computer to display the results in the format you want (here we use the medium format.)
 9. Enter the command "logoff" to exit the system.
- ? begin engli
 Now in ENGINEERING (ENGI) Section (ENG11) Database
 COMPENDEX PLUS - 70-88/MAY
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 ? find superconduct?
 S1 18435 SUPERCONDUCT?
 ? find maglev or magnetic levitation
 255 MAGLEV
 87905 MAGNETIC
 1235 LEVITATION
 847 MAGNETIC LEVITATION
 S2 897 MAGLEV OR MAGNETIC LEVITATION
 ? find vehicle? or transportation
 34304 VEHICLE?
 25275 TRANSPORTATION
 S3 55941 VEHICLE? OR TRANSPORTATION
 ? find s1 and s2 and s3
 18435 S1
 892 S2
 55941 S3
 S4 113 S1 AND S2 AND S3
 ? type s4/medium/1-3
 TYPE 4/M/1
 02574277 Monthly No: EI8805049211
 SUPERCONDUCTORS - NEAR-TERM APPLICATIONS AND MARKETS.
 Miska, Kurt B.
 Business Communications Co
 Source: Journal of Metals v 40 n 1 Jan 1988 p 14-15
 Publication Year: 1988
 CODEN: JOMTAA ISSN: 0022-2674
 TYPE 4/M/2
 02515378 Monthly No: EI8802017565
 MAGLEV APPROACHES TOWARD PRACTICAL USE.
 Tanaka, Hisashi
 Railway Technical Research Inst, Jpn
 Source: Japanese Railway Engineering v 27 n 1 Jun 1987 p 2-6
 Publication Year: 1987
 CODEN: JAREBT ISSN: 0448-8938
 TYPE 4/M/3
 0229865 Monthly No: EI8708081335
 ON THE FORCES DEVELOPED DURING OSCILLATIONS OF AN ELECTRODYNAMIC SUSPENSION.
 Kochetkov, V. M.; Matin, V. I.
 Source: Power Engineering (New York) (English Translation of Izvestiy Akademii Nauk SSSR. Energetika i Transport) v 24 n 6 1986 p 147-150
 Publication Year: 1986
 CODEN: POENDL ISSN: 0160-5216
 ? logoff

APPENDIX A: Sample Searches

SAMPLE SUBJECT SEARCH ON BRS/AFTER DARK

The commands you would enter are highlighted.

1. Enter four-letter label for database to be searched.
 2. Press ENTER to begin searching.
 3. Enter term(s) for first concept the "\$" is used to allow for variant forms of the word "superconductors."
 4. Enter terms(s) for second concept.
 5. Enter terms(s) for third concept.
 6. Combine results of the three search statements by using the answer set numbers.
 7. Tell the computer to print the results.
 8. Enter the command "o" to exit the system.
- ENTER LIBRARY OR DATABASE LABEL--> **insp**
- ENTER Y TO DISPLAY DATABASE DESCRIPTION OR
PRESS ENTER TO BEGIN SEARCHING-->
- BRS/AFTER DARK **INSP** INSPEC 1977 - JUN 1988
ENTER SEARCH TERMS, COMMAND, OR H FOR HELP
SEARCH 1--> **superconduct\$**
- ANSWER 1 27,044 DOCUMENTS FOUND
- ENTER SEARCH TERMS, COMMAND, OR H FOR HELP
SEARCH 2--> **maglev** or **magnetic levitation**
- ANSWER 2 901 DOCUMENTS FOUND
- ENTER SEARCH TERMS, COMMAND, OR H FOR HELP
SEARCH 3--> **vehicle\$** or **transportation**
- ANSWER 3 21,108 DOCUMENTS FOUND
- ENTER SEARCH TERMS, COMMAND, OR H FOR HELP
SEARCH 4--> **1 and 2 and 3**
- ANSWER 4 67 DOCUMENTS FOUND
- ENTER SEARCH TERMS, COMMAND, OR H FOR HELP
SEARCH 5--> **pc**
ENTER ANSWER NUMBER--> **4**
ENTER TI (TITLE ONLY), S (SHORT FORMAT), M (MEDIUM FORMAT), L (LONG FORMAT)
TD (TAILORED DISPLAY)--> **s**
ENTER DOCUMENT NUMBERS--> **1-2**
- 1
AN B87079030. 8712.
AU Barvell-F-T.
TI The development of high-speed guided transport. II.
SO Electr. Veh. Dev. (GB). vol 6, no 2, pp. 46-9, 12 refs. April 1987.
YR 1987.
- 2
AN B87072508. 8711.
AU Nakashima-H.
TI The cryogenic system of a superconducting magnetically levitating vehicle.
SO Refrigeration (Japan), vol 62, no 713, pp. 300-6, 7 refs. 1987.
YR 1987.
-END OF DISPLAY REQUEST-
- RETURNING TO SEARCH
ENTER SEARCH TERMS, COMMAND, OR H FOR HELP
SEARCH 5--> **o**

SAMPLE AUTHOR AND PUBLICATION YEAR SEARCH ON KNOWLEDGE INDEX
The commands you would enter are highlighted.

1. Database is selected.
2. The "Expand" command is used to look at the index; this allows all forms of the name to be found. The author's name is preceded by the "AU=" prefix.
3. The reference number that matches is selected. More than one number can be selected if appropriate. Use dashes for continuous numbers (e5-e7) or commas for separated numbers (e2,e5,e7-e9).
4. The search is limited to just those documents in 1980-1985. To limit by year, combine the answer set and the prefix "PY=" followed by the first year, a colon, and the last year.
5. The computer is instructed to print the results.
6. Enter the command "logoff" to exit the system.

7 begin econ1

Now in ECONOMICS (ECON) Section (ECON1) Database
ECONOMICS LITERATURE INDEX-1969-87/DAC
7 expand au=galbraith, john

Ref	Items	Index-term
E1	3	AU=GALBRAITH, JAMES K.
E2	2	AU=GALBRAITH, JAY R.
E3	0	AU=GALBRAITH, JOHN
E4	32	AU=GALBRAITH, JOHN KENNETH
E5	1	AU=GALBRAITH, JOHN S.
E6	2	AU=GALBRAITH, KARL D.
E7	1	AU=GALBRAITH, OLIVER, III
E8	1	AU=GALBRAITH, RICHARD A.
E9	1	AU=GALCHUS, KENNETH E.
E10	1	AU=GALE, J. T.
E11	2	AU=GALE, BRADLEY T.
E12	1	AU=GALE, D.

For more, enter PAGE

7 find e4

S1 32 AU=GALBRAITH, JOHN KENNETH

7 find s1 and py=1980:1985

32 S1
6640 PY=1980 : PY=1985

S2 7 S1 AND PY=1980:1985
7 type s3/medium/1-2

TYPE 3/M/1

197607

The Dependence Effect

Galbraith, John Kenneth

1983, 1958, 425-30

In: Business Ethics: Corporate Values and Society. Snoeyenbos, Milton;
Almader, Robert and Humber, James eds. Buffalo: Prometheus Books, 1983.

TYPE 3/M/2

195204

Historical Process and the Rich

Galbraith, John Kenneth

1983, 65-82

In: The Voice of the Poor: Essays in Economic and Political Persuasion.
Galbraith, John Kenneth. Cambridge, Mass., and London: Harvard University
Press, 1983.

7 logoff

APPENDIX A: Sample Searches

SAMPLE AUTHOR AND PUBLICATION YEAR SEARCH ON BRS/AFTER DARK The commands you would enter are highlighted.

1. Database is selected.

2. Press ENTER to begin searching.

3. The letters "st" tell the computer to display the index; this allow all forms of the name to be found. Enter just as much of the author's name as you are certain of, then pick from the list that is shown.

4. Appropriate names are selected from the list by using the "R" numbers to the left.

5. The search is limited to February of 1985 by combining the answer set with the publication date code followed by ".pd."

6. The computer is instructed to print the results.

7. Enter the command "o" to exit the system.

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ENTER LABEL OR PRESS ENTER FOR MORE--> maga
MAGS AUG 1988
ENTER Y TO DISPLAY DATABASE DESCRIPTION OR
PRESS ENTER TO BEGIN SEARCHING-->
ENTER SEARCH TERMS, COMMAND, OR H FOR HELP
SEARCH 1--> st
ENTER WORD STEM: safire-w
R1 SAFIRE-WILLIAM          2 DOCUMENTS
R2 SAFIRE-WILLIAM        548 DOCUMENTS
R3 SAFIRE-WILLIAM-L      3 DOCUMENTS
-END OF R-NUMBER LIST-
ENTER R-NUMBERS OF TERMS TO BE INCLUDED IN YOUR SEARCH (E.G. R1 OR R1,R5 OR
R2-R5) OR ENTER 'DONE'--> r1-r3
ANSWER 1 553 DOCUMENTS FOUND
ENTER SEARCH TERMS, COMMAND, OR H FOR HELP
SEARCH 2--> 1 and 8502$.pd.
ANSWER 2 3 DOCUMENTS FOUND
ENTER SEARCH TERMS, COMMAND, OR H FOR HELP
SEARCH 3--> pc
ENTER ANSWER NUMBER-->2
ENTER TI (TITLE ONLY), S (SHORT FORMAT), M (MEDIUM FORMAT), L (LONG FORMAT)
TD (TAILORED DISPLAY)--> s
ENTER DOCUMENT NUMBERS--> 1-3
1
AN 626656. 8509.
TI What lie implies. (column).
AU Safire-William.
SO New York Times Magazine (NYTIA), Feb 17, 1985, p16(2).
2
AN 626638. 8509.
TI The boffin speaks. (column).
AU Safire-William.
SO New York Times Magazine (NYTIA), Feb 3, 1985, p11(2).
3
AN 626634. 8509.
TI Vigilante. (column).
AU Safire-William.
SO New York Times Magazine (NYTIA), Feb 10, 1985, p9(2).
END OF DOCUMENTS IN LIST
ENTER SEARCH TERMS, COMMAND, OR H FOR HELP
SEARCH 3--> o
  
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APPENDIX A: Sample Searches

SAMPLE SEARCH LIMITING TO ENGLISH LANGUAGE ON KNOWLEDGE INDEX

The commands you would enter are highlighted.

1. Database is selected.
 2. Terms are entered for concepts used in the search.
 3. Set numbers are combined to get an answer set.
 4. The answer set is limited to English language documents by combining the set numbers and the name of the language preceded by the "LA=" prefix.
 5. The computer is instructed to display the results.
 6. Enter the command "logoff" to exit the system.
- 7 begin engil
- Now in ENGINEERING (ENGI) Section (ENGII) Database
COMPENDEX PLUS - 70-88/MAY
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- 7 find cement or concrete
- 12687 CEMENT
34856 CONCRETE
S1 42820 CEMENT OR CONCRETE
- 7 find corrosion
- S2 48041 CORROSION
- 7 find s1 and s2
- 42820 S1
48041 S2
S3 1909 S1 AND S2
- 7 find s3 and la=english
- 1909 S3
2097798 LA=ENGLISH
S4 1572 S3 AND LA=ENGLISH
- 7 type 4/m/1-2
- 7/3/1
02614810 Monthly No: EIM8807-042897
ADHESION TESTING OF POLYMER MODIFIED CEMENT MORTARS.
Feier, W. H.
SIKA Ltd, Zurich, Switz
Conference Title: Adhesion Between Polymers and Concrete, Proceedings of an International Symposium.
Conference Location: Aix-en-Provence, Fr Conference Date: 1986 Sep 16-19
E.I. Conference No.: 11125
Source: Publ by Chapman & Hall, London, Engl and New York, NY, USA p730-740
Publication Year: 1986
ISBN: 0-412-29050-2
- 7/3/2
02614791 Monthly No: EIM8807-042878
ADHESION OF RESIN CONCRETES TO REINFORCING STEEL IN REINFORCED CONCRETE ELEMENTS.
Piertak, M.; Broniewski, T.
Politechnika Krakowska, Cracow, Pol
Conference Title: Adhesion Between Polymers and Concrete, Proceedings of an International Symposium.
Conference Location: Aix-en-Provence, Fr Conference Date: 1986 Sep 16-19
E.I. Conference No.: 11125
Source: Publ by Chapman & Hall, London, Engl and New York, NY, USA p 509-517
Publication Year: 1986
ISBN: 0-412-29050-2
- 7 logoff

SAMPLE SEARCH LIMITING TO ENGLISH LANGUAGE ON BRS/AFTER DARK
The commands you would enter are highlighted.

1. Database is selected.
 2. Press ENTER to begin searching.
 3. Terms are entered for concepts used in the search.
 4. Set numbers are combined to get an answer set.
 5. The answer set is limited to English language documents by typing the two-letter code for English followed by ".lg.".
 6. The computer is instructed to print the results.
 7. Enter the command "o" to exit the system.
- ENTER DATABASE LABEL--> biol
- BIOL BIOSIS PREVIEWS 78-8/88
- ENTER Y TO DISPLAY DATABASE DESCRIPTION OR
PRESS ENTER TO BEGIN SEARCHING--> —
- ENTER SEARCH TERMS, COMMAND, OR H FOR HELP
SEARCH 1--> iq or intelligence quotient
- ANSWER 1 2,169 DOCUMENTS FOUND
- ENTER SEARCH TERMS, COMMAND, OR H FOR HELP
SEARCH 2--> diet.ti. or nutrition\$.ti.
- ANSWER 2 26,322 DOCUMENTS FOUND
- ENTER SEARCH TERMS, COMMAND, OR H FOR HELP
SEARCH 3--> 1 and 2
- ANSWER 3 30 DOCUMENTS FOUND
- ENTER SEARCH TERMS, COMMAND, OR H FOR HELP
SEARCH 4--> 3 and en.lg. —
- ANSWER 4 30 DOCUMENTS FOUND
- ENTER SEARCH TERMS, COMMAND, OR H FOR HELP
SEARCH 5--> p
- ENTER ANSWER NUMBER--> 4
- ENTER TI (TITLE ONLY), S (SHORT FORMAT), M (MEDIUM FORMAT),
L (LONG FORMAT), TD (TAILORED DISPLAY) --> s
- ENTER DOCUMENT NUMBERS--> 1-3
- 1
- AN 34049248. 8803.
AU JOHNSTON-P-E. LOW-S-M. DE-BAESSA-Y. MACVEAN-R-B.
TI INTERACTION OF NUTRITIONAL AND SOCIOECONOMIC STATUS AS
DETERMINANTS OF COGNITIVE DEVELOPMENT IN DISADVANTAGED URBAN GUATEMALA:
CHILDREN.
SO SYMPOSIUM ON CHILDHOOD NUTRITION AND GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT
HELD AT THE 55TH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF
PHYSICAL ANTHROPOLOGISTS, ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO, USA, APRIL 1986.
AM J PHYS ANTHROPOL. 73 (4). 1987. 501-506.
- 2
- AN 34014320. 8801.
AU NAUGHTEN-E-R. KIELY-B. SAUL-I. MURPHY-D.
TI PHENYLKETONURIA OUTCOME AND PROBLEMS IN A DIET-FOR-LIFE CLINIC.
SO EUR J PEDIATR. 146 (SUPPL. 1). 1987. A23-A24.
- 3
- AN 34014318. 8801.
AU KOCH-R. AZEN-C-G. EVRST-M. FRIEDMAN-E-G. FISHLER-K.
TI THE EFFECTS OF DIET DISCONTINUATION IN CHILDREN WITH PHENYLKETONURIA.
SO EUR J PEDIATR. 146 (SUPPL. 1). 1987. A12-A16.
- END OF DISPLAY REQUEST-
RETURNING TO SEARCH
ENTER SEARCH TERMS, COMMAND, OR H FOR HELP
SEARCH 5--> o

QUICK SEARCH DATABASES

This appendix gives short descriptions of the most commonly used Quick Search databases. There are detailed database description sheets available for all Quick Search databases at the Reference/Information Desk.

The databases in this appendix are grouped by the following subject areas:

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If you are not sure which database is most appropriate for your topic, consult the staff at the Reference/Information Desk.

BUSINESS

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Monthly Updates

BRS Label: INFO

KI Label: BUSI1

Available for searching on CD-ROM.

The thesaurus is located on Index Table 4.

ABI/Inform covers virtually every aspect of business. Abstracts of the principal articles appearing in more than 600 business and management periodicals are included. There is no printed equivalent of ABI/Inform.

Economic Literature Index

1969-Date

Quarterly Updates

KI Label: ECON1

The Economic Literature Index cites articles from 260 economic journals and approximately 200 books per year. Nearly 25% of the records include abstracts. The database corresponds to the index section of the Journal of Economic Literature and to the annual Index of Economic Articles, available on Index Table 4.

Management Contents

1974-Date

Monthly Updates

BRS Label: MGMT

Management Contents contains abstracts on all aspects of business management. Citations from over 500 journals are included, in addition to proceedings, books and course materials.

Trade and Industry Index

1981-Date

Monthly Updates

KI Label: BUSI2

Trade and Industry Index contains citations from over 300 business, trade, and industry journals, as well as selective coverage of 1,200 additional general publications and newswires. There is no printed equivalent.

For Wall Street Journal articles, see National Newspaper Index in the News section of this guide.

EDUCATION

ERIC

1966-Date

Monthly Updates

BRS Label: ERIC

KI Label: EDUC1

Available for searching on CD-ROM.

The thesaurus is located on Index Table 5.

The ERIC database is the largest source of education-related reports and journal articles. The database covers the entire spectrum of education and related issues. The print equivalent can be found on Index Table 5.

HUMANITIES

America: History and Life **KI Label: ARTS2**
1973-Date **Semiannual Updates**

America: History and Life covers all aspects of U.S. and Canadian History. Journal articles are included along with some books and dissertations. Many records contain abstracts. The printed equivalent is located on Index Table 8.

Artbibliographies Modern **KI Label: ARTS1**
1974-Date **Semiannual Updates**

Artbibliographies Modern covers all aspects of art and design. Citations include books, exhibition catalogs, dissertations and over 300 journals. Full coverage of 19th and 20th century studies is provided. The printed equivalent is located in the Architecture and Art library.

Arts and Humanities Search **BRS Label: ACHI**
1980-Date **Biweekly Updates**

Arts and Humanities Search contains citations, including complete lists of cited references, for over 1,300 journals. Searches for citations to older works are possible regardless of the date of the original. The printed equivalent, Arts and Humanities Citation Index, is located on Index Table 1.

Historical Abstracts **KI Label: HIST2**
1973-Date **Updated 3 times yearly**

Historical Abstracts covers the history of the world from 1450 to the present, excluding the U.S. and Canada. Articles are abstracted from more than 2,000 journals published in 90 countries in some 30 languages. The printed equivalent is located on Index Table 8.

MLA Bibliography **KI Label: LITS1**
1966-Date **Seven Updates per year**

Available for searching on CD-ROM.

The MLA Bibliography is the largest and most comprehensive database covering modern languages, literature, linguistics, and folklore. Approximately 3000 journals are included, as well as some books. Literature coverage includes literary criticism, scholarly works, and original works annotated. The printed equivalent is located on Index Table 13.

LIFE SCIENCES

BIOSIS Previews

1970-Date

Updated Monthly

BRS Label: BIOZ

The BIOSIS database indexes information sources in biology and life sciences. Citations are to journals, books and government documents, as well as symposia and proceedings. The printed equivalent, Biological Abstracts, is located on Index Table 9.

MEDICINE

International Pharmaceutical Abstracts
1976-Date Monthly Updates

BRS Label: IPAB
KI Label: MEDI4

The International Pharmaceutical Abstracts is a comprehensive source of information on all aspects of pharmaceutical research and practice. Abstracts are provided for articles from pharmaceutical and related journals. The printed equivalent is located in the Pharmacy Library.

Medline
1966-Date Monthly Updates

BRS Label: MESZ

Available for search on CD-ROM.

The thesaurus is located on Index Table 9.

Medline is a comprehensive index for medical and health care information. 3,600 medical journals are included, as well as selected congresses and symposia. The printed equivalent, Index Medicus, is located on Index table 9.

NEWS

Magazine Index
1959-Date

Updated Monthly

BRS Label: MAGS
KI Label: MAGA1

Magazine Index indexes articles from over 400 general-interest magazines. Articles, editorials, product evaluations, recipes and reviews are included. The printed index is available on a microfilm reader at the end of Index Table 15.

National Newspaper Index

1979-Date

Update Monthly

BRS Label: NOOZ
KI Label: NEWS1

National Newspaper Index provides front-to-back indexing of the Christian Science Monitor, the New York Times and the Wall Street Journal. All articles, news reports, editorials, letters to the editor, obituaries, product evaluations, biographical pieces, poetry, recipes, columns, cartoons, illustrations, and reviews are included. In addition, the National Newspaper Index indexes national and international news stories written by the staff writers of the Washington Post and the Los Angeles Times.

Newsearch

(latest 2-6 weeks)

Updated daily

BRS Label: DALY
KI Label: NEWS1

Newsearch provides access to very current information. The index is updated daily with citations from over 370 popular and business U.S. magazines and newspapers. There is no printed equivalent.

Popular Magazine Review Online

1984-Date

Weekly Updates

BRS Label: PMRO

Popular Magazine Review Online is a weekly reference service that provides timely access to the latest popular U.S. periodical literature, with articles generally appearing within two weeks of the publication of the magazines. The file contains abstracts to over 200 general, widely read magazines.

REFERENCE

Dissertation Abstracts Online
1861-Date Monthly Updates

BRS Label: DISS
KI Label: REFR5

Lists virtually all doctoral dissertations completed in the United States from 1861 to the present. In addition, some foreign dissertations and masters' theses are also included. Abstracts have been included for U.S. dissertations since 1980. The printed equivalent can be found at Index Table 17.

GPO Monthly Catalog
1976-Date Monthly Updates

BRS Label: GPOM

Available for searching on CD-ROM.

GPO Monthly Catalog indexes all government publications produced by the U.S. Government Printing Office. The printed equivalent is found on Index Table 19.

Index to U.S. Government Periodicals
1980-Date Monthly Updates

BRS Label: GOVT

The Index to U.S. Government Periodicals indexes 185 titles from more than 100 government agencies. All periodicals published by the Federal Government that have material of lasting reference and research value are indexed. Letters, book reviews, interviews, press conferences and conference proceedings are also included. The printed equivalent is found on Index Table 19.

SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

Computer Database

1983-Date

Bi-Weekly Updates

KI Label: COMP4

The Computer Database is a source of information on computers, telecommunications, and electronics. Citations from over 500 journals, as well as proceedings, transactions, courses, books, tabloids, newsletters, and product announcements are included. There is no printed equivalent.

Engineering Literature Index

1975-Date

Monthly Updates

KI Label: ENGI1

The Engineering Literature Index provides coverage of approximately 4,500 journals and selected reports and books. All aspects of engineering are covered. The printed equivalent, Engineering Index, is kept on Index Table 10.

Inspec

1977-Date

Monthly Updates

BRS Label: INSP

KI Label: COMP1

Inspec covers the fields of physics, electrotechnology, computers and control, and information technology. Approximately 3,000 journals are indexed, some with abstracts. The Inspec database corresponds to the printed Physics Abstracts (Index Table 12), Electrical and Electronics Abstracts (Index Table 10), and Computer and Control Abstracts (Index Table 11).

Microcomputer Index

1981-Date

Monthly Updates

KI Label: COMP3

The Microcomputer Index contains citations on the use of microcomputers in business, education, and the home. Magazine articles, as well as software and hardware reviews, new product announcements, and book reviews, from over 40 periodicals are included. There is no printed equivalent.

SOCIAL SCIENCES

Legal Resource Index
1980-Date Monthly Updates

BRS Label: LAWS
KI Label: LEGA1

The Legal Resource Index covers over 750 law reviews, bar association journals, and newspapers. Law-related items from the Magazine Index and National Newspaper Index are also included. The printed equivalent is located on Index Table 7.

PAIS International
1972-Date Monthly Updates

BRS Label: PAIS
KI Label: SOCS2

Available for searching on CD-ROM.

PAIS covers political science, economics, business and other social sciences with an emphasis on public issues and government policy. Fifteen percent of the records contain abstracts. The printed equivalent is located on Index Table 8.

PSYCINFO
1967-Date Monthly Updates

BRS Label: PSYC
KI Label: PSYC1

Available for searching on CD-ROM.

The thesaurus is located on Index Table 6.

PSYCINFO is the primary online resource for psychology and related disciplines. Included are over 1,300 journals as well as books, dissertations, and technical reports. Most citations include an abstract. The thesaurus and printed equivalent are located on Index Table 6.

Social Sciences Citation Index
1972-Date Monthly Updates

BRS Label: SSCZ

The Social Sciences Citation Index covers social and behavioral sciences and related fields. Citations are taken from 1,500 core social science journals and 3,000 additional journals in related disciplines. Searches for current citations to older works are possible regardless of the date of the original. The printed equivalent is located on Index Table 2.

APPENDIX B: Quick Search Databases

Social Work Abstracts

1977-Date Monthly Updates

BRS Label: SWAB

The SOCIAL WORK ABSTRACTS database covers all aspects of Social Work. Included are abstracts of articles from approximately 100 social work journals, as well as dissertations, books, and other materials. The printed equivalent is located on Index Table 7.

Sociological Abstracts

1963-Date Monthly Updates

BRS Label: SOCA

KI Label: SOCS1

Available for searching on CD-ROM.

SOCIOLOGICAL ABSTRACTS is the primary online resource for sociology and related disciplines. This database contains records of journal articles, books, papers read at conventions and meetings, and other resources. The printed equivalent is located on Index Table 7.

KNOWLEDGE INDEX SUMMARY COMMAND SHEET

Search Commands

B Begin a search
F Find a word or phrase
E Expand: to view the index terms
P Page: to request next page of an index term list
T Type: to see search results
R Recap: to review search statements and answer sets
Logoff sign off the system
Help to get help

Joining Search Concepts

OR Combines related terms (addition)
AND Combines different concepts (reduction)
NOT Eliminates a concept

Printing Formats

S Titles only
M Author, title, journal issue, date
L Complete record

Field Qualifiers

Commonly used field qualifiers are given here. To determine which field qualifiers are available in the database you are using, consult the printed documentation for the database. Examples of using field qualifiers:

AU= author	/ti title
JN= journal	/de descriptor
	/ab abstract

AU=Galbraith, J? computers/de,ti

Truncation

Use the "?" ending to search various word endings simultaneously

market? AU=Smith, j?

BRS/AFTER DARK COMMAND SUMMARY SHEET**Search Commands**

H Help
S Search
PC Print continuously
R Review search strategy
C Change databases
L Change libraries
O Sign off the system
SORT Arrange documents in order by author, source, year, etc.
ST Stem - Lists all of the endings of a root word

Joining Search Concepts

OR Combines related terms (addition)
AND Combines different concepts (reduction)
SAME Finds both terms in the same field (proximity)
WITH Finds both terms in the same sentence (proximity)
NOT Eliminates a concept

Printing Formats

TI Titles only
S Short: author, title, journal issue, date
M Medium: short format plus subject headings
L Long: complete record
TD Tailored display: specify fields

Field Qualifiers

Commonly used field qualifiers are given here. To determine which field qualifiers are available in the database you are using, consult the printed documentation for the database. Example of using field qualifiers:

.ti.	Title	.ab.	Abstract
.au.	Author	.lg.	Language
.de.	Descriptor	.yr.	Year
.so.	Source (journal title in most cases)		

computers.de,ti.

Galbraith-j\$.au.

Truncation

Use the "\$" ending to search various word endings simultaneously

market\$ **Smith-j\$.au.** **child\$3**

APPENDIX D: SOURCES FOR FUTHER READING

SOURCES FOR FURTHER READING

Use these books to acquire more knowledge of online searching.

Basics of Online Searching.

ANSTAK Z699.3.M395

BRS/After Dark User's Manual.

Available at the Reference/Information Desk

Effective Online Searching: a Basic Text.

ANSTAK Z699.B629 1984

An Introduction to Online Searching.

ANSTAK Z699.L473 1985

Knowledge Index: User's Workbook.

Available at the Reference/Information Desk

Online Searching: a Primer.

ANSTAK Z699.F38 1984

Online Searching: the Basics.

ANSTAK Z699.3.O55 1984



STRATEGY WORKSHEET

SEARCH TOPIC _____

RELEVANT DATABASES _____

MAJOR CONCEPTS

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concept 2

concept 3

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